

# THEATRE

**Wallace Reid and Enid Bennett in New Plays at the Spencer Square**

Have you ever thought of hand-painted, nativity dressed Wallace Reid as a "saint actor"? Seeing him in the latest jazz steps for a comedy scene or making love to a nurse as the hero of "Bick" you probably cannot imagine Wallace risking his life to produce thrills for the jaded film fan. In "The Valley of the Giants," a romance broke loose from a logging train on which he was riding and threw him over a steep embankment. In "The Roaring Road" and "Excuse My Dust," he drove a racing auto over some of the most dangerous courses in America at high speed. But he saved the most thrilling and riskiest thrill for his latest romance which will be shown at the Spencer Square for four days beginning tomorrow.

According to the story, an irrigation dam is about to burst and endanger the lives of hundreds in the valley below. A storm is raging. Wallace hears of the breach in the dam and, organizing a corps of motor trucks, drives at top speed to the scene of the threatened disaster. Straight over the steep side of the dam he drives the lumbering truck, into the torrent of water, and plugs the widening hole.

Husbands who blame their wives for remaining old fashioned and disinterested in the hilarity of life are taught a lesson by "Hairpins," the latest Thomas H. Ince Paramount Artcraft picture starring Enid Bennett, which will be shown at Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Rosemore had a wife who about getting a reduction in the purchase of a dozen. As a man she did about the same as in the role of her husband, she never thought of it. But Rex didn't like her domesticity and that's why his stenographer appealed to him so strongly.

But when Rex's wife discovered the true state of affairs, she got busy and it wasn't long before she was considered the most up-to-date woman in New York. In fact, she was so much up to date that Rex was made to realize how wonderful she really was. That's why he begged her to return to her former ways of living and found real happiness domesticity.

Miss Bennett never had a more fitting role than that which she portrays in "Hairpins." Matt Moore is seen in the role of her husband. The picture was directed by Fred Nibol under the personal supervision of Thomas H. Ince. The supporting company is excellent.

The Spencer Square management announces the booking of "Humoresque," the greatest photoplay produced for some time and announcement of the playing dates here will be made soon.

**Follies of Pleasure, Burlesque, Is Offering Here Next Wednesday**

Says the press agent: "You read about the same thing in this column every week—about the show coming to the Illinois. You know you don't believe a word of it. But you go to the show just the same. Sometimes you feel like kicking yourself. And sometimes you are glad you went. Some of the shows you've seen many times before. Now I am going to tell you about one that you never saw before, and I ask you to go and see it because it is new. If you don't like it, don't go again. If you do like it, remember that it is Rube Bernstein's 'Follies of Pleasure.' It's new to the Illinois patrons and it's new to the theatrical world, because it represents the newest and best of everything in popular entertainment. Take my tip and see it. You'll not me disappointed. It comes next Wednesday night."

**COLUMBIA'S SHOW TO FEATURE EARLE AND GIRLS SUNDAY**

The program at the Columbia, starting Sunday, will have as a headline, Burt Earle and Girls. This is claimed to be a spectacular offering for mirth and melody and has a cast of nine people. They will offer songs, dances and comedy. Other acts on the bill will consist of Payton & Lum in a skit entitled "The Sportsman." This is a travesty which shows these clever comedians at their funniest. Harry Austin Bond & Co. will present a little comedy by Roy Bryant entitled "Our Wife." This little playlet is of present day life and is fun from start to finish. DeBelle & Waters have entitled their offering "Wait a Minute" and will entertain with songs, dances and dialogue. Doyle and Elaine, two southern ladies, present a study in tan. Fred and Daisy Rial offer "A Ring Flirtation." The latest kinograms and topics of the day will make up the program.

For the last half of the week another well balanced bill will be offered including Harry Hayden & Co. in "The Love Game," Dunbar's Old Time Darkies, entertainers from the south, Harry and Kitty "The Powder Puff Girl," and Beat and Brother, and the three De Lynes.

The date for the Singer Midgrets has been set for week of October 12. The regular admission prices will prevail but extra performances will be given that week as it has been found necessary in other cities in order to accommodate the demand for seats.

**"The Leopard Woman" With Louise Glann at Majestic Theatre**

One of the master superplays of the day is scheduled for four days at the Majestic when Louise Glann and House officers appear beginning Sunday in J. Parker Read, Jr.'s big, best photograph, "The Leopard Woman." Miss Glann has a dramatic role which eclipses anything she has ever done at any time. It is all about a strange and fascinating woman character.

She had a duty to perform—and she was determined to kill the man she loved in order to accomplish that mission. But when the man had beaten her at every point in the game, when he had cheated this leopard woman, as he had named her, of his life, and she knew her cause was hopeless, she surrendered to the inevitable.

The Leopard Woman yielded to her beloved enemy only when he had forced acknowledged that, even though blind, he was her master. It is a conflict between the male and the female of the species that Stewart Edward White wrote into his favorite novel.

John Culbertson, secret emissary of an large European power, arrives in Bajuma, a city at the edge of the African veldt, on his way to the savage kingdom of Mela. This kingdom is the goal of two opposing governments—each seeking an alliance as a first step toward future conquest.

Also in Bajuma is Madame, secret agent of the rival government, seeking Mela's favor, and who has dispatched her to destroy Culbertson in order that her colleague, who has previously started for the savage empire, may reach it unmolested by foreign power. Madame is as beautiful as the Leopard—most beautiful of Africa's jungle creatures—a restless spirit of stealth and cunning, ever searching dim trails in quest of unsuspecting prey. Hence her name, "The Leopard Woman."

On Thursday and Friday the Majestic will offer Shirley Mason in "Merely Mary Ann," a film version of Israel Zangwill's tremendous stage success of 15 years ago.

## SCHOOL SAVINGS

Edison, Lincoln and Irving were the three leading schools in the war savings collection made by the State Bank of Rock Island. Hawthorne, Irving and Grant occupy the first three places in the regular school savings.

	War School Savings	Savings
Audubon	\$ 3.75	\$25.74
Center Station	1.00	17.93
Edison	15.38	9.11
Eugene Field	6.75	21.51
Frances Willard		11.01
Franklin	1.21	7.23
Grant	2.75	29.05
Hawthorne	1.25	56.78
Lincoln	3.75	26.79
Irving	8.46	34.07
Kemble	2.00	25.30
Lincoln	10.63	26.14
Longfellow	2.25	28.64
Lowell		6.46
Washington	3.96	15.26
	\$63.14	\$341.00

## CONFEDERATE CURRENCY NOTES PASSED ON J. BULL

The old swindle of passing currency notes of the Confederate States of America, which has been worked in England for years, is flourishing again. Reports of the victimization of shopkeepers at ports have been reaching the American embassy here in increasing numbers recently.

A ticket seller at one of the big London railway stations gave a Swiss waiter 11 English pounds for a \$50 Confederate note but became suspicious before the waiter had gone far and had him detained. The police were in a dilemma as they could not distinguish the note from good American money and finally had to appeal to the American embassy.

The Swiss said he obtained the note from an American but declined to say how much the transaction cost him. The police believed his story that he had acted in good faith with the ticket seller.

The police say this swindle runs in waves, cropping up every few years, but at present it is being perpetrated on a larger scale and more successfully than heretofore.

## YVES MEETS LADY WITH PISTOL AND GIVES UP PURSE

Bordeaux—Yves Berthon sauntered off the good ship Laverdiere, where he presides over the destinies of the galleys, with 1,900 francs in his pocket and a great longing in his heart for a "sailor's good time."

"Hands up," was the shout of a feminine voice that greeted him as he turned into a waterfront street from the docks.

## COMING TO ILLINOIS WEDNESDAY



## NEWS NOTES—MOVIELAND

BY DAISY DEAN

"Polly With a Past," the play which made such a huge success on Broadway two seasons ago, is to be done in pictures and it is to be done with Ina Claire in the part of Polly. Miss Claire created the part on the stage and this will be her first appearance in pictures.

Here is what Miss Claire has to say about her decision to play in "Polly With a Past": "It is because I know Polly and when I heard several other stars were after the rights and intended to bring my old friend to the screen I at once let it be known I would play the part. Mary Pickford is one star who wanted it. Now I believe she is the greatest screen artist in the world, but I just could not see her as Polly. There is a certain amount of sex in this play, and I don't believe Mary would care to play any part that even suggests such a thing."

That makes it unanimous in favor of Miss Claire for the part.

Gordon Was a Corner. In one of his "rattling the skeleton" moments, Al Cohn confided that Robert Gordon's real name is Marion Comer and that the young actor changed it when he got his first big part with Lasky. Al insists that the change was made because Bob felt that he was no longer just a corner in the business. Anyway you figure it out, one must admit he has arrived.

King Vidor is now engaged in filming "The Sky Pilot," Ralph Connor's big novel of the Canadian foothills. It will be Vidor's third independent production.

Next Lytell Film. Arthur Maude has been engaged by Metro to make the screen adaptation of "A Message from Mars," the successful stage play by Richard Ganthony in which Bert Lytell is to star on the screen. Mr. Maude has written two comic operas.

## Steam Carburetor Shows Interesting Figures in Test

DEVELOPS INCREASED MILEAGE, SPEED, ACCELERATION AND CLIMBING POWER

In a series of tests conducted this week to determine officially the benefits given different types of automobile motors through the addition of live steam to the gasoline, some unusual results were checked. The tests were conducted in Hubbard Woods. They were made by officials of the Automatic Steam Carburetor company. Three different cars were used.

The carburetor, manufactured by the Automatic Steam Carburetor company, 2486 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago, has been developed through three years of effort, and is the first attachment successfully to be designed to inject live steam into the vapor automatically. The carburetor has been submitted to different sections of the Society of Automotive Engineers, and has won general acceptance and approval among engine designers of the industry.

Th tests and their results were as follows:

TEST NO. 1—PAIGE MODEL 6-55: SEVEN PASSENGER  
Increase in gasoline mileage with steam carburetor ... 30.5 pct.  
Increase in speed under pull ... 5 mile  
Gain in acceleration ... 26 pct.  
Increase in power climbing 6 per cent grade ... 11.3 pct.

TEST NO. 2—FORD 1917 TOURING  
Increase in gasoline mileage ... 34.3 pct.  
Increase in speed under pull ... 7 mile  
Gain in acceleration ... 31 pct.  
Increase in power climbing 6 per cent grade ... 13.4 pct.

TEST NO. 3—PACKARD TWIN-SIX, SEVEN PASSENGER  
Increase in gasoline mileage ... 41.3 pct.  
Increase in speed under pull ... 6.3 miles  
Gain in acceleration ... 19 pct.  
Increase in power climbing 6 per cent grade ... 9 pct.

"Carbon is eliminated from all motors where steam is used with the gasoline," said Otto C. Brewer, general sales manager of the company. "The oxygen in the steam acts as a solvent on the carbon and keeps it out. The same principle applies as when the oxygen process is used to burn the carbon out."

"The performance range of the average car is improved almost beyond belief with the use of steam as our carburetor injects it. The principle is not new. The largest engines in the world, the huge Corliss designs in th on gasoline and partly on steam, being designed to operate partly on gasoline and partly on steam, with the two mixed."

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## CITY WATER IS PURE; GET ALUM

State Chemists Report Supply Fulfills All Tests—Chemical Shortage Relieved

The municipal water supply was again proved of the best quality for drinking purposes in a test recently made by the Illinois state water survey division at Urbana, the report of which has just been received by Commissioner John A. Murrin, in charge of the water department.

The report shows that the raw water was polluted, but the sample of the water after being purified at the city water plant brought the following statement from the state chemists:

"This supply at the time of sampling was satisfactory for drinking purposes and conformed to the bacteriological standard of the United States treasury department to be used on interstate carriers."

The government allows no water to be placed on trains unless it passes the interstate carrier tests. The shortage of water purifying chemicals is being relieved. Liquid chlorine is obtained by the city from the Pennsylvania Salt company, Wyandotte, Mich., and alum from the Superior Chemical company, Joliet, Ill.

Practically no trouble has been met in obtaining chlorine, which is used for purifying purposes, but there has been a shortage of alum for several months. Alum is used to clarify the water, which, in turn, makes the water more easily purified and with a less use of chlorine.

The United States public health service is responsible for the betterment of chemicals. The service took the matter up with the interstate commerce commission and other bodies, obtaining an order to the railroads to rush through all shipments of chemicals to chemical and raw materials to chemical manufacturing plants. The move was found necessary, as many cities were said to have been facing big danger of epidemics of typhoid fever and other diseases.

## CONTINUE SUNDAY REGISTRATION OF JEWISH CHILDREN

Registration of all Jewish children in Rock Island and Moline for Sunday school classes will be continued tomorrow. Thirty-five children were enrolled a week ago.

## WILL APPEAR ON COLUMBIA'S BILL



Daisy Rial

at the Young Men's Hebrew association rooms, Math's hall, where the classes are being held. An enrollment of 50 students is expected for tomorrow.

Services will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning, followed by the classes. Arrangements for four classes and the confirmation class are being made.

## FIND WORK FOR 1077 IN MONTH

Bureau Reports Scarcity of Employment, But Places More Than In August

Nearly 1,100 men and women have been placed in temporary and permanent jobs by the Illinois free employment bureau of this city during the month of September, a record below the average, yet higher than the preceding month. Although the placement is below the average, it is considered a view of the fact that there were 1,506 men and women in August, this year, only 944 were placed. The average number of employment is about 1,500 men and women.

Last month 1,230 men and women applied for work at the bureau, 884 men and 346 women. Calls received for help numbered 1,527, only 335 for men and 1,192 for women. The scarcity of factory work felt in the community, practically all coming for outside construction jobs.

## Columbia Orpheum Circuit

Last Times Tonight, 7:30 and 9:15. To See This Feature Vaudeville Bill

## De WOLF GIRLS

Joe Darcy, Rahn, and Beck, Lane and Harper, Mrs. Wellington's Surprise, Herbert Dyer and Partner

FOUR DAYS, STARTING TOMORROW 6 NEW Acts Big Time Vaudeville

## Burt Earle and Girls

A Spectacular Offering of Mirth and Melody

PATTON AND LUM The Sportsman	DE BELLE & WATERS Wait a Minute	HARRY BOND AND CO. OUR WIFE
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DOYLE AND ELAINE Two Southern Ladies	FRED AND DAISY RIAL A Ring Flirtation	KINOGRAMS TOPICS OF THE DAY
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Coming Thursday Next

## Harry Haden and Co.

In the Love Game, Other Orpheum Acts

## Spencer Square

Genuine Pipe Organ Perfect Ventilation

TONIGHT LAST TIME TO SEE  
**ETHEL CLAYTON**  
Assisted By Jack Holt

—IN—  
**"CROOKED STREETS"**  
A PARAMOUNT ARTCRAFT PICTURE  
See the opium smugglers' intrigues in the underworld channels of Shanghai.  
See a picture filled with a hundred thrills, and strange scenes actually taken in "The Paris of the Orient"

—Added Attraction—  
**AL ST. JOHN**  
In His Latest Comedy  
**"THE WINDOW TRIMMER"**  
CHUCK FULL OF LAUGHS

—Also—  
**BRAY'S PICTOGRAPH**  
COME AND ENJOY A REAL GOOD EVENING

COMING SUNDAY FOR FOUR DAYS  
**Wallace Reid**

—IN—  
**"What's Your Hurry?"**

When "Dusty" Rhodes stopped racing to sell crawling motor trucks, he thought all the pep had faded from his punctured life. Until—

A girl! The cops! A bursted dam! A soul-stirring race against death—and "Dusty" opined that for he-man thrills a speed car is only a truck's baby sister.

**WITH LOVELY LOIS WILSON**  
From Byron Morgan's Smashing Saturday Evening Post Story  
**"The Hippopotamus Parade"**

—Also—  
**SNUB FOLLARD COMEDY—LITERARY DIGEST—**  
**PATHE NEWS—PARAMOUNT MAGAZINE**

**THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**  
**ENID BENNETT**

—IN—  
**"HAIRPINS"**  
A PARAMOUNT-ARTCRAFT PICTURE  
An intimate real-life drama that turns marriage inside out.

**ADDED ATTRACTION—A CHESTER COMEDY**  
**"AN OVERALL HERO"**  
The Season's Greatest Comedy

—Also—  
**Bray's Pictograph and Pathe News**  
DON'T MISS THIS PROGRAM

—Coming Soon—  
**"HUMORESQUE"**  
The Picture That is Breaking All Records

**CECIL B. DE MILLE'S PRODUCTION**  
SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT  
**LIONEL BARRYMORE**

—IN—  
**"THE MASTER MIND"**

## BURTIS THEATRE

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## BROTMAN'S RIALTO

624 Ninth Street.  
TONIGHT  
**WM. DESMOND**

—IN—  
**"The Blue Bandana"**

A rollicking good story wherein Desmond turns crook, bandit and detective for love of a girl. How he cleverly unearths a stage robber gives this photoplay an unusual twist.

Also  
**NEAL HART**  
In  
**"THE RUNAWAY"**

—SUNDAY—  
**MRS. CHARLIE CHAPLIN**

—IN—  
**"Home"**  
A human heart drama Harold Lloyd in "From Hand to Mouth"

—TUESDAY—  
**Dorless Cassenelli**

—IN—  
**"THE RIGHT TO LIE"**

—THURSDAY—  
**Anita Stewart**

—IN—  
**"VIRTUOUS WIVES"**

—IN—  
**"THE MASTER MIND"**

## AMERICAN THEATRE

TODAY  
**HOOT GIBSON**

—IN—  
**THE SMILIN' KID**  
**GERTRUDE**

**SELBY**  
—IN—  
**Neptune's Step-Daughter**

A Jolly Comedy  
Also a Star Comedy and International News

Tomorrow  
**JOE RYAN**

In the 9th Episode of  
**HIDDEN DANGERS**  
**BILLY FRANEY**

—IN—  
**THE SNITCH**  
**ALICE HOWELL**

—IN—  
**A CONVICT'S HAPPY BRIDE**  
**Shorty Hamilton**

—IN—  
**SHORTY IN TRAGEDY**  
Monday  
**THE LOST CITY**  
No. 1  
Episodes 3 and 4 of  
**RUTH OF THE ROCKIES**